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Dear Madame Commisioner.

I am a 40 year old male who has had a remarkably healthy life. However, over the past 3 or 4 years I have been the victim of a great number of bacterial infections of both known and unknown origin. On more than one occasion I have been hospitalized because of this. It has come to my attention that it is the policy of our FDA to allow (if not incourage) the wholesale use of Antibiotics in the feed of the millions of animals that we consume. While I have been aware of this for years, due to my recent episodes, I am becoming very concerned with the practice. Antibiotics have helped me so far but their ability to help in the future is a real concern. I understand that some countries don't even allow our animals to be imported because of this practice. From the information I have read, this has the makings of a very real health issue in the making. Its not really necessary is it? It sounds more like a money issue (the animals will fatten faster) and I write you this in hopes that you are appropriately concerned with the negative implications for us all.

Sincerely Yours, Steven Baty



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